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NEA FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY SAUNDERS AND AMBASSADOR
EILTS, AID FOR WHEELER FROM CHARGE

E.O. 11652: N/A
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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING

REF: STATE 098617, MAY 2, 1977

1. AT TIME OF THE FIRST IBRD-LED CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING FOR EGYPT IN 1977, UNDER REFTELTHESECRETARY SENT A MESSAGE TO THE THEN DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS. THIS MESSAGE WAS IN EFFECT A STATEMENT OF ENCOURAGEMENT TO THE GOE FOR THE STEPS IT HAD TAKEN ON ECONOMIC REFORM AND THE ROLE IT WOULD PLAY WITH THE DONOR COMMUNITY IN THE CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING. THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER, AS HEAD OF THE EGYPTIAN DELEGATION TO THE 1977 CG MEETING, MADE PARTICULAR NOTE OF THE SECRETARY'S MESSAGE DURING THE COURSE OF THE MEETING AND IT WAS GIVEN GOOD PRESS COVERAGE IN EGYPT ITSELF.

2. THE MINISTER OF ECONOMY, HAMID EL SAYEH, WHO WILL HEAD THIS YEAR'S EGYPTIAN DELEGATION TO THE CG MEETING,
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SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ON JUNE 14-16, HAS INDICATED THAT HE FELT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF HE COULD RECEIVE A SIMILAR MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY WHICH HE COULD ALSO USE AS BACKGROUND IN THIS YEAR'S CG MEETING.

3. GIVEN THE CONCERN WHICH SOME DONORS HAVE EXPRESSED ABOUT EGYPTIAN ECONOMIC POLICY, PARTICULARLY WITH THE

DEPARTURE FROM THE CABINET OF DR. KAISOONI, EMBASSY/
USAID BELIEVES THAT A MESSAGE OF THIS SORT COULD BE
VERY HELPFUL IN DEMONSTRATING CONTINUED USG SUPPORT FOR
THE PROGRESS OF EGYPTIAN ECONOMIC POLICY.

4. IF SUCH A MESSAGE IS TO BE FORTHCOMING, IT WOULD BE
PREFERABLE TO BE ABLE TO DELIVER IT TO EL SAYEH BY ABOUT
JUNE 9 OR 10TH, IN ORDER FOR HIM TO HAVE IT IN HAND
BEFORE HE MAKES PLANNED VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA IN ADVANCE
OF CG MEETING. LATEST TIME TO HAVE IT AVAILABLE FOR
EFFECTIVE USE WOULD BE ON JUNE 13, WHEN IT COULD BE
DELIVERED TO ELK SAYEH BY THE HEAD OF THE U.S. DELEGATION
AT THE HEADS OF DELEGATION DINNER ON THAT DATE.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT ADVISE AS TO WHETHER
SUCH A MESSAGE CAN BE DRAFTED AND MADE AVAILABLE IN TIME.
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